

Amendments to the Claims:

Please cancel Claim 9 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend the claims as shown in the Listing of Claims below. This Listing of Claims will replace prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1-9 (canceled)

10. (original) An image input/output system comprising:
obtaining means for obtaining a print-job that includes print-data;
analyzing means for analyzing the print-data to determine the presence of
a picture object for color-output in the print-data; and
generating means for generating image data by calculating color-space
conversion for the print-data at a high bit-depth if the presence of the picture
object for color-output is determined and by calculating the color-space
conversion at a low bit-depth if the presence of the picture object for color-output
is not determined.

11. (original) The image input/output system according to Claim 10,
wherein the generating means generates the image data without calculating the
color-space conversion for the print-data if the picture object in the print-data is to
be rendered by a predetermined property and color.

12-17. (canceled)

18. (previously presented) An image input/output method comprising:
obtaining a print-job that includes print-data;
analyzing the print-data to determine the presence of a picture object for
color-output in the print-data; and
generating image data by calculating color-space conversion for the print-
data at a high bit-depth if the presence of the picture object for color-output is

determined and by calculating the color-space conversion at a low bit-depth if the presence of the picture object for color-output is not determined.

19. (previously presented) The image input/output method according to Claim 18, wherein the image data is generated without calculating the color-space conversion for the print-data if the picture object in the print-data is to be rendered by a predetermined property and color.

20. (previously presented) A computer-readable medium having computer-executable instructions stored thereon for performing an image input/output method comprising:

obtaining a print-job that includes print-data;

analyzing the print-data to determine the presence of a picture object for color-output in the print-data; and

generating image data by calculating color-space conversion for the print-data at a high bit-depth if the presence of the picture object for color-output is determined and by calculating the color-space conversion at a low bit-depth if the presence of the picture object for color-output is not determined.